



Supporting Letter for Petition for Unintentional Delay and
Abandonment under 37 CFR 1.137(b)
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To Whom it May Concern,

I was operating under the mistaken belief that the response time for Issuance of a Patent was 6 months or perhaps at worst 3 months with extensions. On 6/17/2005 I opened a Notice Regarding Drawings regarding this same application and when reading the previous allowance notice was horrified to note that the statutory period is 3 months and not extendable. I immediately contacted the Inventor's Assistance Center and was informed that I should file a form SB/64 petition for unintentional delay.

Unfortunately, the corporate cash resources were ~~A~~ shy of the necessary \$1660 and so ~~I~~ immediately requested a check be sent from a personal account. This check was mailed on the 20th, received here and deposited on the 22nd. I waited until Monday (3 business days) to make sure there was no problem with the deposit and then discovered I had misplaced the response form. This evening I found the paperwork again and filled it and mailed it today.

Sincerely,
Chris Rode
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